

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF GEORGIA
MACON DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

VS.

ROBERT LEE WHISBY, JR.,

Defendant

NO. 5: 08-CR-62 (CAR)

VIOLATION(s): Drug Related

ORDER OF DETENTION PENDING TRIAL

In accordance with the Bail Reform Act, 18 U.S.C. §3142(f), a DETENTION HEARING was this day held in the above-captioned case before the undersigned. The defendant was represented by Ms. Debra G. Gomez of the Macon Bar; the United States was represented by Assistant U. S. Attorney Charles L. Calhoun. The defendant did not contest pretrial detention. Therefore, based upon the evidence proffered to the court by counsel for the government and the contents of the Pretrial Services Report dated October 6, 2008, I conclude that the following facts require the detention of the defendant pending the trial of this case.

PART I - FINDINGS OF FACT

- ☒ (1) There is **PROBABLE CAUSE** to believe that the defendant has committed an offense
- ☒ for which a maximum term of imprisonment of ten years or more is prescribed in the Controlled Substances Act.
- ☐ under 18 U.S.C. §924(c).
- ☒ (2) The defendant has not rebutted the presumption established by finding (1) that no condition or combination of conditions will reasonably assure the appearance of the defendant as required and the safety of the community.

ALTERNATIVE FINDINGS

- ☒ (1) There is a serious risk that the defendant will not appear.
- ☒ (2) There is a serious risk that the defendant will endanger the safety of another person or the community.

PART II - WRITTEN STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR DETENTION

Applying the factors set forth in 18 U.S.C. §3142(g), I find that the evidence proffered at the DETENTION HEARING, as supplemented by information contained in the Pretrial Services Report of the U. S. Probation Office dated October 6, 2008, establishes by clear and convincing evidence that no condition or combination of conditions set forth in 18 U.S.C. §3142(c) will reasonably assure the future appearance of the defendant or the safety of the community were defendant Brown to be released from custody at this time. The offenses charged against him is a serious drug felonies for which long-term incarceration can be expected if he is convicted. His estimated federal sentencing guideline range computed by the U. S. Probation Office is 151 months to 188 months to be served in prison. Defendant Whisby possesses a criminal arrest and conviction record going back to 1992 which includes convictions for VIOLATION OF THE GEORGIA CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT, 1993, Superior Court of Bibb County, Georgia, and SALE OF COCAINE, 1996, Superior Court of Bibb County. In addition, he has pending in the Superior Court of Muscogee County, Georgia, a charge of TRAFFICKING IN COCAINE (05/30/08). Defendant Whisby also has a history of both parole and probation revocation actions.

For the foregoing reasons, the undersigned finds that defendant Whisby would pose both a serious risk of flight and a serious danger to the community were he to be released from custody. He has exhibited a continuous pattern of violations of the law from 1992 to the present. Pretrial detention is thus mandated. IT IS SO ORDERED AND DIRECTED.

PART III - DIRECTIONS REGARDING DETENTION

The defendant is hereby committed to the custody of the Attorney General of the United States or his designated representative for confinement in a corrections facility separate, to the extent practicable, from persons awaiting or serving sentences or being held in custody pending appeal. The defendant shall be afforded reasonable opportunity for private consultation with defense counsel. On order of a court of the United States or on request of an attorney for the Government, the person in charge of the corrections facility shall deliver the defendant to the United States Marshal for the purpose of an appearance in connection with a court proceeding.

SO ORDERED, this 14th day of OCTOBER, 2008.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Claude W. Hicks, Jr.".

CLAUDE W. HICKS, JR.
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE